

Eastern Region QIC: 10/13/15

PRESENT: John Behn (QI Chairmain), Kevin Webb (DCFS), Rhonda Peterson (Carbon County), Laurie Molinar (RUCD), Patsy Buchmiller (DOH-FHC), Kobi Prettyman (UFCF), Rick & Carolyn O'Hearon (Community Members), Shelley Bogdin (DCFS), Stacey James (RUCD)

ABSENT: Bobby Brady, Shawn Jack, Josie Luke, Lori Savage, Bob Wells and Shelley Wright

WELCOME: John Behn welcomed everyone and passed around the attendance roster for signatures and asked for introductions. John instructed that our meeting would be recorded because it's a public meeting.

REVIEW OF AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 09/01/15 MEETING:

Please take a few minutes to review the previous meeting notes so we can approve them.

Correction- Report on Homework's rollout: The UFACET starts this week and then the next phase starts for lunch and learns and this will help the worker learn on assessing.

Correction -Report on UA modifications analysis system review: This will be to better utilize UAs and to have better accountability.

Correction-Comments from Regional Administration: The other thing the Division is working with is overcoming the hiring freeze they were under.

Kobi motioned to approve the minutes, Rick 2nd the approval, with no one opposed.

REPORT ON DCFS EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER PRESENTATIONS:

John has made 4 employee presentations for this quarter. Certificates were made up and framed.

All 4 employees were pleased to have received it. The presentations are going very well.

The purpose of the program is that people do care what the employees do and they do make a difference. Anyone that would like to go to these presentations just let John know you are interested. The nomination box is up but not the plaques.

Is there something we can do to help with the nominations from the Price area? What can we do as a committee to help? Supervisors need to let families be aware of the box to help with nominations in our area.

REPORT ON NOVEMBER 10TH COMMUNITY RESOURCE AWARENESS- KOBİ PRETTYMAN:

Next month we will be over at the Event Center for our Community Resource Awareness.

November 10th 9am – 3pm. We have 37 people have already RSVP'd. We will have 13 booths and need about 15 tables. Head Start is added to the list to do a short presentation. Laurie said there will be 3 -5 people from her department. She will talk to Carrie Allred to confirm. Rhonda suggested having Drug Court be there and will get contact information for Kobi. The first presentation starts at 9:20 am and will finish about 2:30 on the 10th. Kobi is anticipating more people wanting to do presentations. It would be good to do this on a regular basis so we can invite the public.

Discussed lunch and how it will be paid for and asked for others to volunteer. Planning on feeding about 100 people and our budget for the meat tray is \$100. Talk to Kari at DCFS concerning the P card. Kevin stated this P card purchase will have to be approved by Region Admin first before purchasing anything.

It's important to reach out to our Community Leaders to ask if they would like to participate and see if they would like to be involved. (County Commissioner, Mayors, Police Dept.)

This is for community partners and will do a different one to have opened to the public.

Discussion & questions on getting our Church's involved. Kobi will get an invite to Rick to reach out to our Churches. This is an awareness to employees to know what other resources are available in our community. There is a great importance in knowing the different agencies and what they have to offer. Thank you Kobi for pulling this all together. She will set up an agenda for the times of presentations and send it out to everyone.

REPORT ON HOMEWORKS ROLLOUT – KEVIN WEBB:

They have completed all of the Introductory training & UFACET training for all six Region DCFS offices. There are 5 protective factors that help keep kids in their own home. Each of the six offices will have a brown bag training covering one of the protective factors each month for 5 months where the caseworkers are able to get together and discuss each protective factor and what we can do to help build families up and keep kids in their homes. For more information you may look up Strengthening Family's Protective Factors Framework online. There is also a free training online.

REPORT ON UA ASSESSMENT IMPLEMENTATION- KEVIN WEBB:

John mentioned that it was reported by Region Director, Shawn Jack at the last QIC meeting that this would be discussed at the Table of 6 with the courts & legal partners. The UA assessment to determine frequency and duration of UAs was developed as a QIC committee and has been assigned to a DCFS staff member to develop for implementation. Kevin will follow up on the progress of this with Region Director, Shawn Jack and report on what he finds out at the December QIC meeting.

COMMITTEE QUESTIONNAIRE:

John has a questionnaire that he would like us to fill out to get some input from the committee.

1. What do you believe the function of the QIC committee to be?
2. In what ways do you see that the QI committee become is being effective?
3. In what ways could the QI committee become more effective?
4. What information do you need to become more effective as a committee member?

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2015 will be at the Event Center in Price as a part of the Community Resource Awareness event. In our December meeting we will discuss nominations for the QIC employee recognition awards and make selections. Region Director, Shawn Jack is scheduled to be present at this meeting.

ADJOURN: 12:40 pm